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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applic. No. : 10/617,640 Confirmation No: 5339
Applicant : Bodo Benitsch
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Title : Ceramic Composite Body, Method for Fabricating Ceramic
Composite Bodies, and Armor Using Ceramic Composite Bodies
Art Unit : 1775
Examiner : Archene A. Turner

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R E S P O N S E

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 2, 2004, the following remarks are made:

In deference to the restriction requirement on pages 2 and 3 of the above-identified Office Action, applicant elects group I, claims 1-13, for prosecution at this time.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application including the device claims of group III at a later date.

Applicant requests a rejoinder under MPEP §821.04 for the method claims of group II.

In view of the foregoing, the early issuance of an Action on the merits of claims 1-13 is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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